

Decoration Day

Dear Friend,

I never assume to advise; please be kind enough to consider me only the vehicle by which the following suggestion reaches you.

A gentleman met me on the street just now &, spite of the guns and drums, made me hear these words--

"Dr. Bartol has never regretted & we have never forgot the generous independence with which in perilous times he asked Theo. Parker into his pulpit--I wonder if he knew that Andrew Jackson Davis was here & disengaged next Sunday, he would feel like being as generous to him?"--

I said I did not know your estimate of spiritualism enough to answer--though I could estimate your independence & generosity--but offered to be the vehicle of the suggestion. Let me add, what perhaps you may not know as I do, as I have known Davis many years, that his heart is in the right place-- he understands & is hospitable to the best ideas-- & in bearing & culture & matter of speech he would do credit to any pulpit even in Boston. A line addressed to the care of the name on the card inclosed will reach Davis if you wish to write. Forgive this intrusion; let not your friendship give it more weight than it merits

& believe me your

Wendell Phillips

Cyrus A. Bartol - Unitarian minister
West Church
Boston

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